

Remarks

Claims 1-26 and 32 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1, 7 and 32 are cancelled and claims 2-6, 8-12, 14 and 17-20 are amended. After entry of this amendment, claims 2-6 and 8-31 will be pending. Reconsideration in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Cancelled Claims 1, 7 and 32

Claims 1, 7 and 32 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to expedite prosecution and/or for economic reasons. Applicant reserves all rights to pursue these and other similar claims in separate applications.

Amended Claims 2-6, 8-12, 14 and 17-20

Claims 15, 16 and 21-26 are allowed.

Claims 2-6 are amended to depend directly from allowed base claim 26 and are allowable based at least on this dependency. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection as to these claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 8-12, 14 and 17-20 are amended to depend directly from allowed base claim 15 and are allowable based at least on this dependency. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection as to these claims is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' representative by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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